

TURF AND TRACK

THE SULKY.

PROGRAMMES for the Santa Barbara fair, which commences September 18th, have been issued.

FLY nets for the horses are a profitable investment to the farmer or to any one else who owns horses.

MATCHED pairs, either of the draft or of the light harness breeds, are in active demand at the present time.

THE racing at the Petaluma race track on the 4th of July was not remarkable for any records being lowered.

EVERY member of the P. C. T. H. B. Association should consider himself a "committee of one" to hound the coming meeting.

R. S. BROWN's good luck has returned, for little Plunkett is winning all his races this year, and has not had to lower his record, 2:13½, to do so.

KLAMATH, 2:13½, is gradually working his way eastward. Two weeks ago he turned up at Trinidad, Cal., where he won the free-for-all, defeating Rose and Racer.

THE strike has had a demoralizing effect upon the mails. We have not received a paper from the interior containing items that would be of interest to horsemen.

NOW that the races are declared off on the Montana Circuit a large number of horsemen will bring their trotters and pacers to California as soon as the strike ends.

NOT an Eastern newspaper has been received since the 29th of June, and every Californian is anxious to know what our horses have been doing east of the Rocky Mountains.]

JAMES E. BERRYMAN will take his string of horses from Oakville, Napa County, to the Bay District track next week. He will have time to prepare a few more horses for the races this fall.

HORSES that have good feet and that are driven about the farm only may be used without shoes, but the driver should be watchful and have shoes put on if the feet begin to shell off or break.

DR. R. R. GROSS's splendid Guy Wilkes stallion, Mustapha, 2:23, has been fired and turned out. It is understood that this horse will be ready to go down the line in great shape next year.

N. HARRISON, of Tacoma, Wash., has his horse, formerly known as Soudan Patchen, registered in Volume XIII, of Wallace's Register, under the name Soudan Jr. He will be in the races this fall.

THOS. SNIDER has fifteen trotters and pacers in his string at Sacramento. That he will have some good ones on the circuit out of this lot is a foregone conclusion. He is working them on Agricultural Park race track.

THOS. KINNEY is the only one of the old-time trotting horse contingent to keep his string at the Napa track. He has the Steinway stallion Stonewall, Blonde Wilkes, 2:22½, the great Guy Wilkes pacer, and a very promising son of Jim Mulvanna.

WM. HENDRICKSON loaded a car with twelve head of trotters including Fanay D., 2:26, and Langford, 2:28½, and started for Omaha. He arrived there the day before the strike was proclaimed, and thinks of stopping for some time at that place.

THE importance of having stables ventilated in accordance with correct principles of hygiene is generally admitted. That the supply of fresh air should be ample is frequently insisted upon, but that the light should also be abundant is not so common.

STALLS at the Bay District track will be ready for the occupancy of trotters next week, the track is undergoing a thorough course of leveling and scraping. Wm. Fieldwick, the track superintendent, is having the work done in a style to suit the most exacting.

FREQUENT watering, a small amount being indulged in, is best; and the principal feed should be given at night, that it may be eaten at leisure and digested and assimilated before morning. To impose the carrying of half a peck or more of oats within the digestive organs when under exertion, is unwise, and should, whenever possible to do so, be avoided.

THERE is a use for milk to which it is rarely put. I refer to the feeding of milk to foals. We all concede the value of cows' milk for pigs, for calves, and for human beings, but for some reason it strikes us as odd to think of feeding it to colts. I have talked with a number of horsemen who have at times given milk to colts, and all spoke highly of the practice.

HARRY AGNEW's youngstock never looked better. There are double teams of Dawns at his farm that will make some of our roadsters hustle to heat them for color, pureness of gait, disposition and speed. Some of the youngsters will be over sixteen hands in height. Mr. Agnew selected the very choicest bred, as well as the purest-gaited trotting mares he could find when he laid the foundation for his stock farm, and next year, as the boys say, he will be "right in it."

PETER BRANOW, the old-time driver, and H. W. Crabb, proprietor of the Oakville Stock Farm, ordered Enreka Roller bearings for their new sulkies. Monroe Salisbury's successes in the East are attributed in a great measure to his adoption of all improvements in shoeing, hooting and harnessing as well as those made in the easy running of his bicycle sulkies. He is more than pleased with the Eureka roller bearing sulky he had made before leaving for the East.

FOLLOWING is a list of the Palo Alto horses that will be seen on the California circuit this year: Adhell (1), by Advertiser, 2:15½, dam Beautiful Bells, 2:29½, by The Moor; Cressida (2), by Palo Alto, 2:08½, dam Clarabel, by Abdallah Star; Gluhar (2), by Electricity, 2:17, dam Jennie Benton, by Gen. Benton; Rio Alto (4), by Palo Alto, 2:08½, dam Elsie, by Gen. Benton; A. A. (3), by Azmoor, 2:20½, dam Abess, by Mohawk Chief; Bonnichel, 2:22½ (4), by Azmoor, 2:22½, dam Bonnie, by Gen. Benton; Tiny, 2:28½ (5), by Electioneer, dam Telie, by Benton, and Vina Belle, 2:21½ (5), by Nephew, dam Flushing Belle, by Dictator.

LANDEN HUNT has, at the Oakland track, the grand-looking trotting stallion Wayland W., 2:13½, by Arthur Wilkes, out of Lettie (dam of Maud Singleton, 2:28½), by Wayland Forrest; second dam Mary (dam of Apex, 2:26), by Flaxtail. This is one of the nicest-gaited horses that was seen on the California circuit last year, and will, no doubt, lower his record considerably before the rain falls.

F. W. LOEBER has a very promising string of young trotters and pacers at Oakville, Napa county. Among them was noticed Myrtle Thorne, by Grandissimo; Pilot Reno, by Pilot Prince, out of a mare by Gen. Reno; Freedetta, by Grandissimo, out of Freeda, by Free Willy, second dam Alida, by Admiral; Alco, by Alconeer, and a swift pacing gelding belonging to Duffey Bros., of this city.

At a meeting of the Forty-third Agricultural District at Tulare Saturday, the following officers were elected: President, W. B. Cartmill; Secretary, E. DeWitt; Treasurer, Tulare County Bank; Executive Committee, Jacob Hayes, of Poplar, H. S. Meyer and W. B. Cartmill, of Tulare. This committee was empowered to transact the business of the district, and it will immediately fall to work to get up a premium list.—Porterville Enterprise.

HENRY HAAS, the young man who had Mustapha, 2:23, has quite a good string of trotters at the Oakland track, including Eureka, a yearling by Ira (son of Piedmont), dam by Poscora Hayward; Lady Mac, a three-year-old by Ira, dam by Overland; and Dudley, an eight-year-old stallion that Judge W. E. Greene, of Oakland bred; he is by Anteros, out of a mare by Nephew. Mr. Haas will be seen in the front rank with some of these at every meeting this year.

THE Riding Club of Santa Rosa is preparing to go on a prolonged excursion next week. They will leave on Friday and return early in the following week, having Cazadero for one of their objective points. The company will consist of the following ladies and gentlemen, chaperoned and conducted by Colonel and Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. A. B. Swain, Misses Tottie Temple, Guineette Henley, Mahel McDonald and Dottie Ames, and Messrs. A. B. Swain, Thurlow Temple, Mark McDonald, Jr., Temple Smith, Stewart Temple and probably others.

S. E. TRYON has a crackerjack in the handsome three-year-old trotting stallion Colonel K. R., by Bay Rose, 2:20½, out of Addie E., 2:19, by Algona. This youngster won the third heat of his winning race—2:40 class—in 2:25½. There are several other Bay Rose's entered on the California circuit that will prove their race-horse qualities this year. Owners of strongly-bred Hambletonian stallions should try and secure a few Bay Rose fillies. According to all precedent regarding bloodlines and "proper nicking," they should prove invaluable as broodmares.

TO TEACH the colt to hack, hitch him up with an old horse that will hack at the word of command, and stop them where the wagon will move easily; tighten up the lines a little and say "hack, hack." If he refuses to step back with the old horse, or he will brace up against it, have an assistant step in front of him with a huggy whip, and as you say "hack" and pull gently on the lines, switch his fore leg that is most advanced, and as he moves that back, touch the other one. Don't whip him around the fore legs, but switch him just enough to make him pick up his foot. Keep trying and keep "sweet."

WALTER HOBART started for Hotel del Monte from this city last Tuesday with a splendid four-in-hand which were hitched to a carriage containing a number of his friends. At different portions of the road relays were ready and rapid changes made. Mr. Hobart is like the late W. C. Ralston, a first-class "whip," and a more genial young man never put the brakes on in front of a cottage than he. The horses he purchased in the East were of his own selection, and competent judges declare that his judgment of what a good horse is, is on a par with that so often shown by his beloved and lamented father.

IN the June number of Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly there is an article under the head "Horses in Trade, Traffic and Transportation" (see page 650), which says: "Not the least interesting feature in New York is the value of the dead horse that one sees daily fallen by the way in our gutters and on our pavements. What it ultimately will produce in commerce is between \$25 and \$30. There is not a part of the animal that has not its mercantile uses. Out of the hide are wrought gloves, boots and shoes, the hair goes into cloths and mattresses; the bones into buttons; the flesh into oil fat *oleo-margarine* and *butterine*."

FOR good results do not by any means place your horses in a trainer's hands that has more to do than he can look after, for if you do the poorest swipe he has will do all the training, and that means your horse had better stay in the barn, for no handling is much better than what he would get at the hands of a knowing, blowing boy of that kind. Pay a good man, one that will not take more than he can do, twice the amount the other asks, and you will always get good interest on your money invested. A trainer overworked is in no better shape to manage or gait a colt, or drive an aged horse, for that matter, than an overworked engineer is fit to do duty at his post; for a man to be successful must at all times have his wits about him, and especially so in handling horses successfully. Therefore, hire none but the best. Good men make good swipes, who in time make good drivers.

P. FARRELL, the old-time horseman, has a few promising trotters at his place on the Cliff House Road. Among them we noticed a large, strongly-built, well-made son of Alect, 2:26 (son of Richard's Elector). This youngster is owned by Captain Maddox, and is a trotter. In the adjoining stall is Maud Alameda, a long, low, well-formed, gray mare that has a race record of 2:31½, and a Stockton bar of 2:24. She will make this latter one legitimate this year. Another one by Gaviota is called Carrie D. She is out of a thoroughbred mare and has no record. A gelding gray in color by Marin, 2:22, out of a mare by Silverthreads is also in his string. He is a little fellow and is called Marin Jr. He has no mark, but may get one before the circuit ends. Mr. Farrell has all these in the pink of condition, and as a splendid road has been made from the Cliff House road to the speed track in Golden Gate Park, he has been able to jog his horses regularly during the past two months. The speed track is too hard for giving any of them fast work; nevertheless, it is a good preparatory course for such youngsters on which they can be taught the way to go.

A. W. LITTLE, of Eureka, has received from Capt. B. E. Harris a chestnut yearling that he is very proud of. This youngster is called Melzar; his sire is Melzar, 2:22, his dam, Miss Oulton, by Adventure; second dam by Signal; third dam by John Nelson; fourth dam by Williamson's Belmont. With four crosses of Williamson's Belmont blood and Electioneer, John Nelson and Signal strains, Melzar ought to prove all that is claimed for him. He is a pure-gaited trotter and is exactly like his sire in color, gait and carriage, and is the first one sired by Melzar. We wish Mr. Little every success with his new purchase.

"LIVERY business is picking up since the strike commenced," was the remark of one of our leading stable proprietors the other day. "People who became forgetful of the road, as the railroad cars were so convenient, were compelled to drive in and out of the city, and the joy of handling the ribbons over first-class prompt driving horses has set them to considering whether it would not be far healthier for them to drive than to sit in the ill-ventilated railroad cars. More applications for good teams have been made during the past week in this city than ever before. I could sell a dozen good teams, that are used to the city, if I had them now."

"WHITEHAT" DAN MCCARTY declares he owes anywhere from \$100,000 to \$150,000, and that he is willing to pay off in the material he tried to "corner"—all the good Dexter Princes and members of other grand trotting families obtainable. He of the white, fuzzy cady swears he will be perfectly fair in his charges for the horses, and as he has over 400 head of trotters near Newman unheatable, taken as a lot, in the world, he should be able to satisfy the "horse appetites" of every creditor that is willing to "take a chance." The Napoleon of the California horse market is fast getting gray worrying over his debts, which he is ready and anxious to settle in the manner spoken of above.

In a late issue of Sport, published in Vienna, Austria, appears an article regarding Dirigo, by Principe. They say that Dirigo is the fastest trotter that ever crossed the Atlantic, in their opinion, and that although his record in America is 2:18½, he has shown ability on the Vienna track to trot in 2:10. Dirigo is in the hands of Dan McPhee, the American trainer, and he is anxiously trying to secure a match for two or three miles, or even a five miles' drive, to prove the lasting qualities and stamina of the American trotter. Sport says Dirigo is a sure winner for this season, providing his owner, Count Korolyi, will consent to allow Dirigo to be raced. Up to the present time he has refused to do this, a decision the Vienna people sincerely regret.

REVERE, the dam of Longfellow, 2:24½, was one of the few Glencoe mares brought to California. S. B. Whipple of San Mateo brought her to this State. Revere was also the dam of Priam, sire of Frank M., 2:17½, and Honesty, 2:25½, the leading sire of trotters in Australia. Revere was out of a mare by imported Harkforward; second dam imported Vega, by Lishmahago; third dam Lady Byron, by Sir Ulric; fourth dam by Dunganon; fifth dam Miss Euston, by Snap; sixth dam by Blank; seventh dam by Cartouh; eighth dam Soreheels mare, by Soreheels; ninth dam by Highflyer, etc. Although in the Year Book Revere is marked as untraced, her pedigree is shown in full on page 289 of Volume III. of Bruce's American Stud Book.

It is said in the pedigree of the roan mare Flora S., 2:18½, by Dexter Prince that her dam was by a son of Irish Birdcatcher (brother to Faugh-a-Ballagh), sire of Leamington. Irish Birdcatcher was foaled in 1833, and no son of his ever came to California, and if any of his descendants ever did they never would have sired a mare that would produce such a looking mare as Flora S., for her sire, Dexter Prince, is noted for the beauty of his progeny. This Birdcatcher pedigree will not do; it is far better to let the pedigree stand as it always has. Sired by Dexter Prince, dam a saddle mare that a young man who used to live near Lodi used to drive cows with. She was, no doubt, of the same bred, as the granddam of Occident, 2:16½, Dawn, 2:18½, and many other famous trotters. It is no disgrace to trace a fast trotter to a mare whose pedigree was never known, but whose powers of endurance, gameness and individuality had made her celebrated, Shanghai Mary was one of that class.

THE trotting race on the afternoon of the Fourth between Judge Smith's Manhattan and Jule Smith's Ned Moor, was a most interesting one, and resulted in quite a surprise party. It was generally supposed that Manhattan held "four aces," but Ned Moor demonstrated that he was no plow horse and earned for himself a place among the local flyers. R. W. Roberts held the sulky down behind Ned in the last two heats, and by a dexterous use of the "lick stick," brought him in a winner. Ed Daugherty drove Manhattan, and probably was the most surprised individual on the race track at the close of the contest. But Jule Smith was happy, and all his friends jubilant. The race between Alford's Gossiper and Fennessy's Lena was a very pretty contest, and the same may be said of the race between Patrick's Maud P. and Doc's Doc. Gossiper and Doc were the winners but they had to work for their laurels. The two-year-old Dane trot furnished bushels of fun, and much sympathy was expressed for J. Jensen, who had the fastest horse, but who failed to get the race owing to his trotter colliding with the fence in the last two heats and hanging up. No time was taken.—Ferndale Enterprise.

* CAPT. BEN E. HARRIS has a perfect right to feel disheartened. His beautiful filly Watura is now in the hands of the veterinarian, and will not be able to start in the large number of races in which she was entered. Last Monday while Thos. Smith was jogging her on the Vallejo track she stumbled and fell, throwing her driver. Regaining her feet, she started around the track, the shaft of the broken sulky between her hind legs, the nut that holds the stirrup in place cutting the inside of her thigh to the bone at every jump. When she was caught Mr. Smith, who was not seriously injured, called in the service of a veterinarian, and at last accounts the little yearling was doing as nicely as could be expected, considering the extent of her injuries. Watura is by Geo. Washington, 2:20, out of Ventura, by Adventure, and a faster yearling has not been taken up this year. Capt. Harris desires all secretaries of Agricultural and Trotting Associations in this State to scratch the entry for this filly as well as the entry for his two-year-old Rival, by Dawn, 2:18½, dam Freena Froman, by Adventure, for all stakes in which they are entered and send him accounts of the money due on these two trotters as soon as possible. We are sorry to hear of the genial captain's misfortune, and hope that henceforth "his luck will take a turn for the better."